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- (3) It involves interpretative rules, general statements of policy, or rules of agency organization, procedure, or practice; or
- (4) It is determined with regard to the document, for good cause, that inviting the pubic comment is impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest.
- (c) Procedures—(1) Normal case. Unless the official having cognizance of a proposed regulatory document determines under the criteria of §701.66(b) that inviting public comment is not warranted, he or she shall cause it to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER with an invitation for the public to submit comments in the form of written data, views, or arguments during a specified period of not less than 30 days following the date of publication. An opportunity for oral presentation normally will not be provided, but may be provided at the sole discretion of the official having cognizance of the proposed directive if he or she deems it to be in the best interest of the Department of the Navy or the public to do so. After careful consideration of all relevant matters presented within the period specified for public comment, the proposed document may be issued in final form. After issuance, the adopted document, and a preamble explaining the relationship of the adopted document to the proposed and the nature and effect of public comments, shall be published in the FEDERAL REG-ISTER for guidance of the public.
- (2) Where public comment is not warranted. The official having cognizance of a proposed document within the purview of this paragraph shall, if he or she determines that inviting public comment concerning the document is not warranted under the criteria of §701.66(b), incorporate that determination, and the basis therefor, in the document when it is issued or submitted to a higher authority for issuance. After issuance, such document shall be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER for the guidance of the public, if required under §701.64(b).

§ 701.67 Petitions for issuance, revision, or cancellation of regulations affecting the public.

In accordance with the provisions of 32 CFR part 336, the Department of the Navy shall accord any interested person the right to petition in writing, for the issuance, revision, or cancellation of regulatory document that originates, or would originate, for the Department of the Navy, a policy, requirement, or procedure which is, or would be, within the purview of §701.66. The official having cognizance of the particular regulatory document involved, or having cognizance of the subject matter of a proposed document, shall give full and prompt consideration to any such petition. Such official may, at his or her absolute discretion, grant the petitioner an opportunity to appear, at his or her own expense, for the purpose of supporting the petition, if this is deemed to be compatible with orderly conduct of public business. The petitioner shall be advised in writing of the disposition, and the reasons for the disposition, of any petition within the purview of this section.

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§ 701.100 Purpose.

Subparts F and G of this part implement the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a), and the DOD Directives 5400.11 and 5400.11-R series, DOD Privacy Program (see 32 CFR part 310) and provides DON policies and procedures to ensure that all DON military members and civilian/ contractor employees are made fully aware of their rights and responsibilities under the provisions of the Privacy Act (PA); to balance the Government's need to maintain information with the obligation to protect individuals against unwarranted invasions of their privacy stemming from the DON's collection, maintenance, use, and disclosure of Protected Personal Information (PPI); and to require privacy management practices and procedures be employed to evaluate privacy risks in publicly accessible DON Web